



# Auckland Foundation

## "FOSTERING COMMUNITY RESILIENCE"







**Community Engagement Events:** Organizing events, workshops, picnics, and cultural celebrations to foster social connections and unity among those impacted by the floods. These engagements encourage shared experiences and mutual support, helping to build community resilience.

**Counseling and Mental Health Support:** Offering counseling and mental health support services to help individuals cope with trauma and promote emotional well-being.



**Capacity Building Workshops:** Organizing workshops and training sessions to empower individuals with the knowledge and skills needed for disaster preparedness, financial planning, and self-care. Strengthening individual capacities contributes to overall community resilience.



**Collaboration with Local Partners:** Collaborating with local authorities, community-based organizations, and stakeholders to ensure a coordinated response, optimize resources, and reach a wider range of those in need.







**Food Support:** Distribution of food parcels to families and individuals affected by the floods. These parcels contain essential food items to address immediate nutritional needs.

**Health and Hygiene Kits:** Distribution of health and hygiene kits containing items like soap, sanitizers, masks, and other hygiene products to help individuals maintain good health and prevent the spread of illnesses.

**Outreach Care for the Homeless:** Extending outreach care and support to individuals experiencing homelessness due to the weather events. This includes providing temporary shelter, access to essential resources, and referrals to appropriate social services.

**Continuous Monitoring and Feedback:** Regular monitoring and evaluation of the program's activities to make adjustments and improvements based on beneficiary feedback. This ensures that the program remains responsive to community needs.





# "Fostering Community Resilience" is an initiative implemented by H.O.P.E

**Immediate Relief and Well-being:** The project successfully provided immediate relief to communities impacted by the January/February 2023 weather events in the Greater Auckland region. Food parcels and hygiene kits were distributed, ensuring that affected families and individuals had access to nutritious meals and essential hygiene products. This alleviated food insecurity and contributed to improved well-being among beneficiaries.

**Outreach Care for the Homeless:** The project effectively extended outreach care and support to homeless individuals who were affected by the weather events. This included identifying and engaging with homeless individuals, providing them with immediate assistance, and connecting them to social support services and shelters. As a result, many homeless beneficiaries experienced improved stability and well-being.

**Fostering Social Support and Connection:** Through community engagement events, workshops, and activities, the project successfully fostered social connections among impacted individuals. These events provided a platform for communities to come together, share experiences, and build supportive networks. This enhanced social support, reduced feelings of isolation, and strengthened community cohesion.

**Empowerment and Capacity Building:** Workshops and training sessions conducted as part of the project empowered beneficiaries with new skills and knowledge. This capacity-building aspect helped individuals better cope with the aftermath of the weather events, promoting self-reliance and resilience.

**Inclusivity and Non-Discrimination:** The project ensured inclusivity by supporting all vulnerable groups, including recent migrants, asylum seekers, former refugees, and Maori and Pacifica communities, without discrimination. This approach contributed to a more equitable distribution of support.

**Collaboration and Transparency:** Collaboration with local partners, authorities, and stakeholders enhanced the project's reach and impact. By pooling resources and expertise, the project delivered a coordinated response that maximized its effectiveness. Transparency and accountability were maintained throughout the project's operations.





# Measurement of Impact and Success:

The project effectively measured its impact and success through beneficiary feedback, satisfaction surveys, and tracking the number of individuals reached with support services. This data-driven approach ensured that the project remained responsive to community needs and made necessary improvements.

**Enhanced Social Support Network:** As a result of the project's efforts, there was an increase in the strength and quality of social support networks within the impacted communities. Beneficiaries reported feeling more connected and supported by their peers.

**Improved Well-being and Stability:** Homeless individuals who received outreach care and support experienced improved well-being and stability. Many accessed social support services and resources that helped them transition towards more secure housing situations.

Overall, the "Fostering Community Resilience" project successfully achieved its main objective of supporting and empowering communities affected by the 2023 weather events. It provided immediate relief, fostered social connections, empowered individuals, and ensured inclusivity and non-discrimination in its support efforts. The project's impact was measured and tracked, contributing to its overall success in building resilience and promoting well-being within the impacted communities.





The "Fostering Community Resilience" project benefited several groups within the communities impacted by the 2023 weather events in the Greater Auckland region:

**Flood Victims and Families:** Families and individuals who suffered losses and damages due to the floods were primary beneficiaries. They received immediate relief in the form of food support and hygiene kits. This assistance helped address their basic needs, alleviating food insecurity and promoting their well-being during the recovery phase.

**Homeless Individuals:** The project extended outreach care and support to homeless individuals who were directly affected by the weather events. This vulnerable group received immediate assistance, including temporary shelter and access to essential resources. The project aimed to improve the well-being and stability of homeless beneficiaries.

**Vulnerable Communities:** The project maintained an inclusive approach, ensuring that all vulnerable individuals and communities received support tailored to their unique needs. This included recent migrants, asylum seekers, former refugees, and Maori and Pacifica communities. Culturally sensitive assistance was provided to address their specific challenges and circumstances.

**Community Members:** The entire community benefited from the project's efforts to foster social connections, unity, and resilience. Community engagement events, workshops, and activities created a sense of belonging and mutual support among community members. This collective resilience-building benefited the broader community and prepared it to face future challenges.

In summary, the "Fostering Community Resilience" project had a broad reach, benefiting flood victims, homeless individuals, vulnerable communities, and the community as a whole. It aimed to address immediate needs, provide support for vulnerable groups, and strengthen community bonds to promote long-term resilience.





# Success Story 1: Rebuilding Lives

One of the project's beneficiaries, Sarah, was severely affected by the 2023 weather events in Auckland. Her home was flooded, and she lost most of her belongings. Sarah, who had never experienced such a disaster before, was emotionally overwhelmed and found herself in a state of despair.

Through the project's outreach care and mental health support services, Sarah received counseling and emotional assistance. She also attended workshops on coping with trauma and building resilience. Over time, Sarah began to regain her emotional well-being and found comfort in connecting with others who had faced similar challenges during the community engagement events.

With the project's support, Sarah accessed resources to help rebuild her life. She received a food parcel during her time of need and was referred to local agencies that provided assistance with temporary housing and essential household items. Sarah's journey from despair to emotional recovery and eventual stability is a testament to the project's impact in providing wrap-around support services to individuals in need.



## Success Story 2: Empowering a New Beginning

John, a homeless individual, had been living on the streets of Auckland long before the 2023 weather events. When the weather events struck, his situation became even more precarious, as he struggled to find shelter and access food.

The project's outreach care team reached out to John during their street outreach and offered immediate assistance, including a hygiene kit and a hot meal. Recognizing the need for long-term support, the team connected John with social support services and shelters in the area.

John's life began to take a positive turn. He accessed the services provided, which included access to a shelter, food, and social workers who helped him explore options for stable housing. John also participated in the project's workshops on financial planning and self-care, which empowered him to take control of his life.

Over time, John secured stable housing and began rebuilding his life. His journey from homelessness to stability and self-reliance is a testament to the project's effectiveness in providing wrap-around social support services to homeless individuals affected by the weather events.

These success stories highlight how the "Fostering Community Resilience" project made a meaningful impact on the lives of its beneficiaries by providing essential support, fostering social connections, and empowering individuals to overcome adversity and build a brighter future.



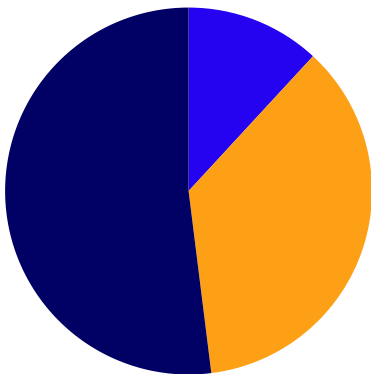


# STATISTICS

Within six months, our program distributed food to 460 families, provided health and hygiene kits to 320 individuals, and distributed bedding and blankets to 120 households. Additionally, we organized 4 community engagement events that brought together over 175 community members from diverse backgrounds, fostering social connections and unity.

Through our outreach care efforts, we supported 17 individuals experiencing homelessness, providing temporary shelter and access to resources. These statistics reflect the significant impact of our "Fostering Community Resilience" program in the Greater Auckland region.

## Project Results



## Information

